

## Literary Notes

The End of the Deal is the title of an unusually good business serial story which is to begin in an early number of *The Saturday Evening Post*, of Philadelphia. A famous transaction on the Chicago Board of Trade is the basis upon which the author, Mr. Will Payne, has founded this striking romance of the wheat pit. A charming love story runs thru the stern and stirring plot.

*The World's Work* for August gives up most of its space to the Pan American Exposition—making a large and handsome souvenir number. The description and interpretation of the Exposition, within and without, are strikingly interesting and valuable. Mr. Walter H. Page, the editor of the magazine, gives a vivid picture of the outside of the fair—the spectacle, the illumination, the architecture, sculpture, and color, and the cosmopolitan crowds that visit Buffalo. Charles H. Caffin, writes of the significance of the Exposition as a work of art. The Wonderful Story of the Chaining of Niagara—how the power from the Falls runs nearly everything in motion on the grounds, is told by Orrin E. Dunlap. Striking examples of the industrial advance of the years since the Chicago Fair, as illustrated in many interesting exhibits, including electricity, machinery, manufactures, agriculture, horticulture, ordinance, painting transportation, the varied government exhibits and others are written of by Arthur Goodrich. Mary Bronson Haritt tells about the Midway.

The Pan-American idea is given prominence in an important article on Our Trade with Latin-America, by Frederick Emory, Chief of the Bureau of Commerce, and the general facts and figures of the industrial advance of the last decade are furnished by Carroll D. Wright. The March of Events discusses the month's doings. Most striking, also, in this magazine are the many illustrations of the Exposition—nearly one hundred in all—made from photographs by C. D. Arnold, A. R. Dugmore, W. H. Lyman, A. W. Simon and others.

Evidently no effort has been spared to make *The Ladies' Home Journal* for August a positive boon to its readers during these warm midsummer days. Its light readable articles, bright stories, clever poems, charming music, and numerous beautiful illustrations afford the easiest and pleasantest kind of entertainment for leisure hours. Enchanting views of the lovely scenery in the Engadine Valley and among the Swiss and Italian lakes, as well as such delightful articles as "The Singing Village of Germany" and "What Girl-Life in Italy Means," allure the thoughts to foreign lauds, while there are timely suggestions about "The Picnic Basket," "Keeping a House Cool in the Dog Days," and "Sea Side Toys and How to Make Them." Other thoroughly interesting contributions are "The First White Baby Born in the Northwest," "My Boarding School for Girls," and the usual serial and department articles. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

*The American Standard Revision of the Bible* is at last to appear. Its publishers hope to have it in the hands of the public early in September. In the meantime *The Sunday School Times* is rendering a real service to the American public by offering the first definite information about this long awaited work,—a book which promises to win its

place rapidly as the translation of the Bible for American and even for English readers.

By special and exclusive arrangement with the publishers of the new Bible, and in co-operation with the American Revision Committee itself, *The Sunday-school Times* gives, in its issue of July 27, a selected list of passages from the new Bible, showing some of its most striking and characteristic changes as over against the English Revision of 1885. Facsimile reproductions of pages of the American Bible are also given. As a most appropriate setting for the whole, a scholarly tho popular article appears in the same issue (which can be obtained for five cents,) by that prince of Bible scholars, Howard Osgood, of the Old Testament Company of the American Revision Committee, on the salient features of the new Bible.

### College Notes

"Better to be unborn than untaught."

C. M. Holsinger stopped off Saturday with friends at Ashland while on his way from the east to his home near Muncie, Ind. He will return in September to continue his college work.

In the absence of Prof. Miller, Rev. Josiah Keim preached the sermon at the College Sunday.

Misses Lulu Beal and Edna Miller are both doing successful work as music teachers. They will attend College again the coming year.

Geo. C. Carpenter, of South Bend, Ind., writes that he will attend College next year, and is looking forward with pleasant anticipations to the year's work.

"To the right kind of a boy, the best advice anybody can give is, 'Keep clean; go to college.'"

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lichty returned to Ashland Saturday; she from a pleasant visit with friends at Canton and Louisville, he from an extensive and profitable business and pleasure trip in the East.

A friend of the College offers \$250 to improve the College laboratories provided \$250 more can be secured elsewhere. What friend or friends of humanity and church will raise or give the latter \$250 and thus secure this needed donation for the College?

W. N. Moore, a pen-art graduate and skillful penman has been secured to teach plain and ornamental penmanship in the College. The first will be free to all students. Mr. Moore will be a student in the Collegiate department.

The College Ladies' Quartet will attend the conference and enliven the exercises with some of their pleasing and inspiring music.

Do some missionary work for the college. There are young people in every community who could and would go to school if you would only speak the word and show them the immense advantages of education. To rescue young people from the curse of ignorance and start them on the highway of education and usefulness is a great and lasting service to them and to all. Are you interested in anyone's highest success and happiness? To whom will you speak concerning the necessity of making the best possible preparation for complete, intelligent, progressive living?

"Education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is at once best in quality and infinite in quantity."

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of thy peace.

—Whittier.

### Day By Day

J. R. Miller.

To be at once strong and gentle, true, and kind, to be braver to-day than yesterday, swifter to respond to earth's music, slower to notice its discords, to have eye and hand growing ever quicker to note and more ready to aid the need round us, to have the voice take a cheerier tone, day by day, and the eyes a clearer light because in our very souls we believe that

"God's in his heaven:

All's right with the world"

—this is to be growing in grace."

What higher ideal of life can we have than that of making a little brighter, sweeter, stronger, a little better or happier in some way, every life that touches our own? Whether we do it by sermon or song, by merry laugh or sympathetic tear, by substantial aid or "trifles light as air," matters not at all so long as it is done for Christ's dear sake and the bringing nearer of his kingdom. For when we have formulated our highest creed and uttered our deepest philosophy we reach only this at last, "Our Father, which art in heaven," our brother who is on earth.

### A Good Creed

Selected.

Do not keep the alabaster boxes of your love and tenderness sealed up until your friends are dead. Fill their lives with sweetness. Speak approving, cheering words while their ears can hear them, and while their hearts can be thrilled and made happier by them; the kind things you mean to say when they are gone, say before they go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins, send to brighten and sweeten their homes before they leave them.

If our friends have alabaster boxes laid away full of fragrant perfumes of sympathy and affection, which they intend to break over our dead bodies, we would rather they would bring them out in our weary and troubled hours, and open them that we may be refreshed and cheered by them while we need them. We would rather have a plain coffin without a flower, a funeral without an eulogy, than a life without the sweetness of love and sympathy.

Let us learn to anoint our friends beforehand for their burial. Post-mortem kindness does not cheer the burdened spirit. Flowers on the coffin cast no fragrance backward over the weary way.

Nothing is small that can be done from a mighty motive. The least action of life can be as surely done from the loftiest motive as the highest and the noblest. Faithfulness measures acts as God measures them. True conscientiousness deals with our duties as God deals with them.

—Dr. Alexander MacLaren.